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### Turning the heat up at camp

Teenaged girls are getting a taste of what firefighting is all about this week at Camp FFIT (Female Firefighters In Training) at the Ottawa Fire Services training division building on Industrial Road. They're doing physically demanding tasks, including breaking open barricaded doors, crawling around in the dark wearing full gear, and going way, way up a ladder to get a feeling for heights, said firefighter and camp director Louise Hine-Schmidt.

# Racial-profiling policy announced

Public will have a chance to comment this fall: Police Services Board

More than seven years after Ottawa police handcuffed every black man in the Ambassador Bar and Grill, the police service now has a policy on racial profiling.

Staff Sgt. John Medeiros, who leads the diversity and race relations department, said the racialprofiling policy announced yesterday was developed as a result of the settlement of the Ontario Human Rights case concerning the Ambassador incident.

The incident happened in January of 2004, when a heated exchange broke out between two groups of people outside the South Ottawa bar.

Officers, who were instructed to "cuff everyone" at the bar, handcuffed and arrested several black men who were working there, while letting a white contractor go free, according to reports.

The lawyer in the case says the new policy is unlikely to change the way officers use their power.

"This is helpful to the extent that they say what their policy is, but it is not an effective solution "I don't remember a case when a policeman has been held responsible. They always let them free, with a little bit of reprimand."

EMILIO BINAVINCE ON RACIAL PROFILING

for the racism issue that we have faced in practice," said retired lawyer Emilio Binavince.

Medeiros said racial profiling still happens among the ranks of the Ottawa Police Service, adding, "Many of the racial-profiling incidents come as a result of actions that are subconscious, that the individual officer may not intend to racially profile."

Binavince disagrees. "I have faced so many of them that are conscious, I can tell you," he said.

Before he retired. Binavince was a human-rights lawyer as well as council for Ottawa's police association.

Binavince said that police must

hire the right people and train them well.

"What the community needs is justifiable and responsible policing. And, in that, race is irrelevant. They should know that.'

The new policy is accompanied by training, said Medeiros. As for individual officers, the policy does not outline the consequences for racially profiling the public.

"It depends on the act itself," said Medeiros. "Let's say there's an arrest where the arrest leads to force. It could lead to all of the existing forms of resolution, ranging from criminal charges to a caution to it being unfounded, so there are a variety of processes in place that would address that."

As for an officer who has used racial profiling subconsciously and without the use of force, the consequences could be "acknowledgement by the officer, it could be a training moment, it could be an education component," he said. "If it were to continue to reoccur we would escalate our response.'

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Lil Wane gives 7,000 fans a reason to shout out his music

Hands were flailing, knees were bouncing, and swagger was emanating from the thousands of fans packed inside Scotiabank Place last night to see rapper Lil Wayne light the place up for his I Am Still Music Tour 2011. An estimated 7,000 people shouted the lyrics to Lil Wayne's songs after opening acts by Rick Ross, Lloyd, Far East Movement and Keri Hilson. The base pounded through the arena as the rapper went on to perform his songs to his screaming fans.

# Diner falls victim to arson

- Suspected act of vandalism comes after similar arson at Preston Street Pastry Shop
- Pasticceria Gelateria Italiana in Little Italy hit by fire in late July



The owners of local diner are trying to figure out when they can reopen after a flaming bottle crashed through their window early yesterday morning.

Mike Cooke, general manager and co-owner of Broadway Bar and Grill on Prince of Wales Drive, was notified around 4:30 a.m. that someone threw a Molotov cocktail through the restaurant's window.

"It's a little bit of stress for the next couple of days," said Cooke, while waiting at his restaurant for his insurance company to call.

Police investigators allowed him access about 12 hours after the incident, he said. He arrived

to find "mainly smoke damage, some surface damage," though it was contained in the back area of the restaurant.

The damage occurred in "an area we don't use that much," Cooke said.

Kitchen manager Pat Conrad was in the back office doing prep work when the incident took place, but didn't see who threw the bottle. "He heard some glass break "It's just one of those crazy, random attacks."

MIKE COOKE, GM AND CO-OWNER OF BROADWAY BAR AND GRILL

and he thought it was possibly our cleaners," said Cooke.

Cooke said he's never seen anything like it in the seven years he has worked at the restaurant, but he doesn't suspect any of the regulars that frequent the diner.

A police investigation is still underway. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Arson Section at 613-236-1222 ext. 4372, or Crime Stoppers at 613-233-8477 (TIPS) or toll free at 1-800-222-8477.



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#### TRANSIT IN THE CITY

# Revamping the daily commute

For the third and final instalment of our transit series, we asked for ways to improve the experience of waiting and riding. And you answered. Here's a sample of what readers from coast to coast have on their wishlists.



#### **BUS-ONLY LANES**

- "(It) would allow buses to bypass heavy traffic and maintain a regular schedule, even during rush hour. This would be good for everyone, not just for regular transit users.
  - Peter Byrne, Calgary



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- "The cards can be reloaded with either cash or tickets/tokens.... Then transfers will become obsolete, saving tons of paper per vear.
  - Simeon Wong, Toronto
- "All stations are equipped with a fare vending machine, which dispenses a reloadable transit card. Fare is calculated in regards to how far you're travelling within the system."
  - Jewely, Toronto

#### **BETTER SHELTERS**

"Partial shelters ... offer absolutely nothing in terms of protection from the snow of rain.... Bus shelters



#### **LONGER HOURS, ON WEEKENDS ESPECIALLY**

- "It would reduce drinking and driving and encourage nightlife downtown."
  - Tom Broniewicz, London
- "There are many people without cars that have to work shifts and need to rely on other means of transportation just to get to and from work."

- Anita Kubin, Toronto



- ▶ "Wi-Fi on all buses. Automated schedule changes or holiday updates via email or text message.
- Ahalirob, Halifax Fix the GPS system by making it real-time instead of what appears to be an approximation based on
- Tom Broniewicz. London

schedules.



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#### **ANNOUNCEMENT SYSTEMS**

- "Monitor screens at each station (display) the expected arrival of the next three trains.... (Vehicles) should be equipped with screens for displaying the stops and also have an automated voice to announce the stops.
  - Sofiat M. Akinola,

# Want to catch a bus? There's an app for that

Cities across Canada are trying to boost public transit use by tackling one of the biggest frustrations for riders, the interminable wait at a bus stop wondering when the heck that bus will come.

Municipal transit services are turning to text-messaging systems, apps for mobile devices and even alerts for your desktop to make riding a bus, train or subway more predictable and user-friendly

Winnipeg is on the leading edge, using global positioning software on all its buses to provide real-time information across multiple platforms. With a quick click on a computer or mobile device, you can see when your bus will arrive — and not the scheduled time. but up-to-the-minute estimate based on its current position and traffic volumes.

more than \$4 million on



its information system, called BusGadget. Dewhich includes a program

signed for a home or office

computer, the program lets users monitor one or more bus stops to see when upcoming buses are

Toronto's transit authority has also moved to provide real-time arrival information through GPS locators on its buses. The system went online last month through a thirdparty website. Users can also send a text that includes their bus-stop number and get a message back that outlines the arrival times of upcoming buses.

The Toronto Transit Commission doesn't have the type of desktop software that Winnipeg does to remind users of upcoming buses, but it is allowing software developers to access its data and come up with their own programs.

Other cities, such as Edmonton and Montreal, have plans to add GPS technology.

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#### **Senior scouts** will come to Canada

Canada will host the World Scout Moot for the first time, drawing up to 5,000 young adults from around the world.

The 14th edition of the international event runs from Aug. 8 to 18, 2013, and will have its headquarters at the Awacameni Mino base in Low Quebec, about 75 kilometres north of Ottawa-Gatineau.

Parts of the program will take place in the urban settings of Ottawa-Gatineau, Montreal, Quebec City and

#### **Bomb squad** called to house

A police bomb squad was called in to an apartment on Augusta Street early

Monday morning after officers discovered suspicious items while responding to a domestic dispute in an apartment building. Tactical and HAZMAT units were also called in. Both devices were rendered safe, police

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#### 4 Hintonburg projects done

Federal, provincial and local politicians celebrated the completion of four infrastructure projects in Hintonburg yesterday.

The projects were the reconstruction of the park wall at Hintonburg Park, the replacement of waterplay equipment at Hintonburg Park, the renovation of a storage room at the Hintonburg Community Centre, and the retrofitting of the basement space to meet public-occupancy requirements at the Hintonburg Community Centre.

# A comedy set in Ottawa



#### Filming for CBC program taking place at some familiar locales



Ottawa will play itself this fall on CBC.

Director Don McKellar is shooting his new half-hour comedy, Michael, Tuesdays and Thursdays, in town.

Maureen O'Donnell, publicist for the show, said Ottawa has "beautiful architecture that hasn't been seen a lot on the screen" adding it has "a kind of oppressive, bureaucratic architecture, which fits in quite well with the theme of our show."

The approximately 90member film crew was at the corner of Elgin and Sparks, shooting a scene in front of the Darcy McGee pub as tourists and passers-

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by stopped to watch and snap a picture.

Other scenes have also been shot at the National Art Gallery, the Alexandria Bridge and the locks, said O'Donnell.

The show stars Matt Watts as Michael, a neurotic man who frequently sees David, a therapist played by Bob Martin.

David sees Michael as the key to a lucrative book deal.

Homegrown actress Sandra Oh, of Grey's Anatomy fame, was spotted at Met-calfe and McLaren last week filming a scene for the half-hour sitcom.

Filming for Michael, Tuesdays and Thursdays wraps up on Aug. 27 and the show will air Sept. 14, on a Wednesday.

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# U.K. police tell of riots that weren't

• Force used tech to foil attacks on malls and Olympic Park, asst. commissioner tells parliamentary committee

British police revealed yesterday that they sent officers to protect major shopping centres and 2012 Olympic sites after intercepting phone and social network messages saying they were targets for rioters.

Assistant Commissioner Lynne Owens of London's Metropolitan Police told a committee of legislators that police sent extra officers to London's Oxford Circus, two malls and the Olympic Park on Aug. 8 after seeing messages on Twitter and the BlackBerry devices of people who had been arrested for rioting.

Owens said that "through Twitter and BBM there was intelligence that the Olympic site, Westfields (shopping malls) and Oxford Street were going to be targeted."

"We were able to secure all those places and indeed there was no damage at any of them," she said, according to the London Evening Standard newspaper.

Police and politicians claim young criminals used Twitter and BlackBerry's messaging service to co-or-



dinate looting sprees during the riots.

The government has said it will debate whether cellphone services could be disrupted or blackouts imposed on social networks during riots — proposals that have already been fiercely opposed by civil libertarians.

The acting chief of London's police force, Tim Godwin, told parliament's home affairs committee that police had considered seeking approval to switch off such services, but decided against it. He said the legality of such action was "very questionable," and so-

3,000 Police have arrested more than 3,000 people over riots that started Aug. 6 in London.

cial networks were a useful intelligence asset.

The government said police would get better training and stronger powers to deal a new era of street disturbances

"We will make sure police have the powers they need," said Home Secretary Theresa May — including, she suggested, the power to impose blanket curfews in troubled areas.

So far about 1,400 people have been charged with riot-related offences. More than 1,200 have appeared in court — often in chaotic, round-the-clock sessions dispensing justice that is swifter, and harsher, than usual.

The Association of British Insurers has estimated the cost from wrecked and stolen property at 200 million pounds but expects the total to rise.

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#### N. Korea takes exception to exercises

The United States and South Korea yesterday began joint war games that North Korea has warned could drive the Korean peninsula to war. After months of hostility and threats, diplomats from the United States and the two Koreas have held talks to persuade the North to give up its nuclear ambitions.

#### **Bomb suspect arrested**

An Australian investment banker accused of attaching a fake bomb to a teenager's neck as part of an extortion plot once worked for a company with ties to the victim's family, according to federal court documents released yesterday.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Dave Whalin ordered 50year-old Paul Douglas Peters jailed pending an extradition hearing Oct. 14.

The FBI arrested Peters on Monday at his ex-wife's house in a well-heeled suburb near Louisville.

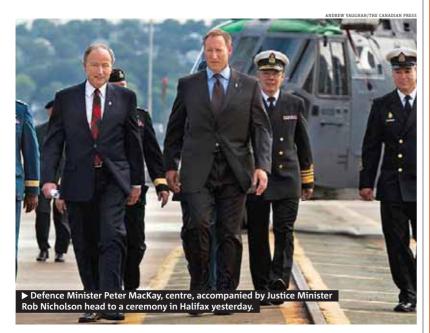
"I will tell you that he will contest these charges" in Australia, his attorney told reporters after the hearing.

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#### **More details**

- The 18-year-old victim is named Madeleine Pulver, and is the daughter of Internet executive William Pulver.
- Pulver spent 10 hours chained to the device before the bomb squad was able to free her. The device was later found to contain no explosives.





# Forces name change corrects wrong: MP

• Veterans' groups back restoration of royal label

The federal government is restoring the once familiar names of the air and maritime divisions of the Canadian Forces.

Defence Minister Peter MacKay says they will again be known as the Royal Canadian Navy and the Royal Canadian Air Force.

Land Force Command will be called simply the Canadian Army

The older names disappeared in 1968, when the military's three main branches were unified under the banner of the Canadian Forces.

"Traditional veterans fought under these designations during World War I, World War II, Korea and earlier peacekeeping missions, and this restoration of their military heritage means a great deal to our membership." BRIAN FORBES, SECRETARY GENERAL, NATIONAL COUNCIL OF VETERAN ASSOCIATIONS

He says the government

felt compelled to right a

historic wrong.

"Restoring these historic identities is a way of reconnecting today's men and women in uniform with the proud history and traditions that they carry with

them as members of the Canadian Armed Forces," MacKay said yesterday in Halifax.

"Sometimes I think it's important to correct historic mistakes and correct them when possible."

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#### **Kittens** left in dumpster

#### PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS IN VANCOUVER

One kitten was euthanized after three of the critters were found dumped in a garbage bin at a Vancouver Island ferry terminal last month.

Nanaimo SPCA branch manager Leon Davis said a BC Ferries employee discovered the animals. They were brought to the SPCA the next day.

"One of the kittens had a bad fracture on its femur and pelvis," Davis said. "Sadly, it had to be humanely euthanized.

"The other two were emaciated and dehydrated and had some flea-infestation issues, but they've recovered now."

The kittens were named Dumpster and Os-

Video footage provided by BC Ferries shows a man and a woman walking along a ferry terminal in Nanaimo on July 27 before dumping a bag into a trash bin where the kittens were found.

#### **Burning love: Charges laid** in arson case

Police in Windsor are alleging a love triangle led to arson yesterday morning.

Investigators say a woman found her boyfriend with another woman and then lit some property on fire.

The blaze was extinguished and there were no injuries.

A 19-year-old woman is facing charges of assault, mischief and arson endangering life.

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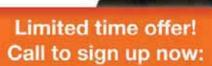
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# Online death plot takes darker turn

• Police: Target of Facebook hit fatally shot in Philly Ex-girlfriend accused of offering \$1K for killing

A Philadelphia man was gunned down hours after a iudge upheld felonv charges against his ex-girlfriend, who was accused of offering \$1,000 on Facebook for someone to kill him. But with the teenager who allegedly took the bait already in custody, investigators said yesterday they aren't sure why the man was killed.

Corey White, 22, was shot once in the chest Monday night on a West Philadelphia street, authorities said.

Homicide investigators said White got into an argument with the occupants of a brown car and a man got out of the vehicle and shot him.

"There are a couple of other theories out there," Capt. James Clark said.

A few hours earlier, a municipal judge had approved charges including murder solicitation against White's girlfriend, 20-yearold London Eley of Philadelphia, and murder conspiracy and weapons charges against 18-year-old Timothy Bynum of suburban Darby.

"I will pay somebody a stack to kill my baby father," Eley wrote in a post this spring, according to a police affidavit.

A "stack" is \$1,000, investigators said.

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# Serious or not?

- Eley's attorney said at Monday's hearing that his client was merely venting about an argument she'd had with her ex-boyfriend and had no intention of following through.
- "When you do it on a computer, you are putting it out there for the whole world to see and memorializing it," defence attorney Gerald Stein said. "Unfortunately, it sort of magnifies the anger."
- Prosecutors countered by saying Eley wasn't joking about the hit in the original post.



### N.Z. snow staying put

The freak polar blast that has hit New Zealand is expected to last for several days. Snow has appeared in areas of the country not normally affected, including Auckland's downtown area, which has not seen snow for 72 years.

#### Charest laughs off hoax report

A Montreal newspaper is filing a complaint with police after someone hacked its website and posted a fake story announcing the death of Quebec's premier.

The website of Le Devoir was tampered overnight with a story announcing the death of Premier Jean Charest.

Newspaper officials shut down the site and posted a note correcting the hoax report early yesterday morning.

Charest joked about the story when he saw reporters at a cabinet meeting yesterday morning in Quebec City. THE CANADIAN PRESS

"I hurried to the mirror to see if I was still there. As you can see, I'm in fine shape." QUEBEC PREMIER JEAN CHAREST



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#### Sony's new game plan

Sony Corp. is cutting the price of its PlayStation 3 by \$50 to drum up demand for the five-year-old device. The last time Sony lowered the price of the gaming console was in 2009, when it launched a lighter, slimmer model. The worldwide price cut announced yesterday comes less than a month after rival Nintendo Co. cut the price of its Nintendo 3DS player.

#### Do not adjust your set ... iust vet

The CBC has one more year to complete its transition to digital TV.

In 2007, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission mandated that all TV broadcasters switch from analog signals to digital by the end of August this year.

The CBC sought and received a one-year extension from the CRTC, which will keep the analog signals running until Aug. 31, 2012 in 22 markets.

The CRTC said in a release that granting the one-year extension was necessary because the CBC has a unique mandate to serve the entire country's population.

The CBC must make digital signals available in 28

The CRTC will review the national broadcaster's transition plans during a public hearing next June. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# **Manufacturing** sales fall off

▶ June a weak month for Canadian economy ◆ Analysts hope for rebound in fall with pickup in auto sales

Manufacturing sales in Canada fell for a third consecutive month in June, hitting their lowest level since last November, Statistics Canada said yesterday.

The bigger-thanexpected drop was the latest piece of the picture for a second quarter that has shown show little improvement for the Canadian

economy.

Factory sales fell 1.5 per cent to \$45.3 billion in June from May compared with a drop of 0.5 per cent that had been expected by economists.

Sales of durable goods fell 1.9 per cent, while sales of non-durable goods were down 1.2 per cent. Lower sales were reported

in 15 of 21 industries, representing 77.5 per cent of total manufacturing.

Francis Fong, a TD Bank economist, said the high loonie and slowing economies of Canada's key trading partners are likely to weigh heavily on the manufacturing sector in the next few months.

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#### Madoff investors can't claim more

Investors who lost billions of dollars in Bernard Madmassive multidecade Ponzi scheme fraud are not entitled to recover fake profits that were described to them in

The court concluded that a trustee's calculation of the investors' losses was "legally sound" and that a bankruptcy court was correct when it rejected arguments from lawyers for investors who said their clients should receive

phoney statements, a U.S.

federal appeals court said

A three-judge panel of the Manhattan court said

more than what they ini-

tially gave to Madoff.

customer statements showing that initial investments of about \$17.3 billion had ballooned to more than \$65 billion "reflect impossible transactions and the trustee is not obligated to step into the shoes of the defrauder or treat the customer statements as reflections of reality."

Madoff is serving a 150year sentence after admitting the fraud.

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#### My little Ponzi

- Madoff told investors before his 2008 arrest that their investments had more than tripled, but the investments were never made.
- Many investors are angry about the court ruling, particularly those who recovered and spent more than their original investment based on expectations that more money was coming.

# U.K. phone hacking covered up: **Journalist**

MPs could recall James Murdoch in wake of contradictory account

Convicted phone hacker Clive Goodman warned more than four years ago that illegal eavesdropping was widespread at the News of the World tabloid and its senior journalists had approved the practice, according to a letter Goodman wrote to the human resources director of the paper's parent company.

In the letter, made public yesterday by British MPs, Goodman said phone hacking was carried out with "the full knowledge and support" of the paper's leadership.

Both News of the World and parent company News International have insisted that Goodman - who was fired, convicted and jailed for his role in the scandal was the only reporter involved in intercepting voicemail messages.

Goodman's letter, addressed to Daniel Cloke and dated March 2, 2007. directly contradicts that.

Goodman said he was acting with the backing of senior journalists, that other staff at the News of the World were also hacking phones and that "this practice was widely discussed in the daily editori-

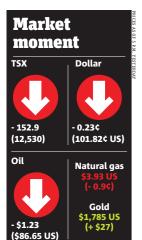


al conference, until explicit reference to it was banned by the editor.'

The names of those involved have been obscured by police.

The House of Commons' culture, media and sport committee said they will probably recall James Murdoch to answer more questions about phone hacking at the News of the World, Murdoch, who runs the European division of his father Rupert's media empire, testified last month that he was unaware of evidence of widespread phone hacking at the paper.

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### Goodall sues over 'Janey Baby' food

Jane Goodall's non-profit organization is suing an organic baby food company, claiming it failed to pay up after the primate expert agreed to market a vegetarian product called Janey Baby.

The Jane Goodall Institute for Wildlife Research, Education and Conservation filed the lawsuit in Manhattan against Sprout Foods, which was cofounded by chef Tyler Florence of the Food Network. The institute claims Sprout owes it \$720,000 US.

Sprout says the contract was made by its former CEO and that the firm was in discussions with the institute about a revised relationship. The associated press



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### **Project Runway: Fiat edition**

Fiat will introduce a Gucci version of its 500 mini car in the United States.

The black special edition of the car features glossy paint, chrome detailing and a leather interior with white accents. It has the Italian fashion label's emblem on the headrests. It also has Gucci's signature green-and-red stripe along the body, seatbelts and

cember. boost sales of the will be in troduced Sept. 8 at the

start of New York Fashion Week and will come to

can debut in March. Fiat has sold 7,982 mini cars in the U.S and 3,064 in Canada, short of its goal of 50,000 for the year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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It's an effort to

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## Patent suit targets Apple Inc.

Taiwanese smartphone maker HTC Corp. says Apple Inc. has violated three patents covering smartphones and other technologies, the latest round in a dispute between the two firms.

HTC filed its latest lawsuit yesterday in Wilmington, Del., where Apple Inc. sued HTC a year ago. Both

companies also have complaints before the U.S. International Trade Commission, which has the power to block imports of devices and parts found to infringe on a company's intellectual property.

HTC seeks unspecified damages and a ban that would prevent Apple from using the technologies in question. Affected products include the iPhone, the iPad tablet computer, Mac notebook, desktop computers and iPod music

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# IF YOU BELIEVE THEY'LL PUT A MAN ON MARS

JUST SAYIN' ...

PAUL SULLIVAN METRO My ambition to be the first man on Mars has lost a little steam over the past few years.

You know the story: Kids, career and mortgage have

taken a toll on a quest that was spawned even before I read Stranger in a Strange Land and grokked it in fullness.

But I'm back, baby. Thanks to the 14th International Mars Society Convention last week in Dallas, there's a new spring in my step that will come in handy on

Mars, where I only weigh 75.4 pounds. I'll be able to leap tall buildings in a single bound. If there are any.

I was starting to lose hope. Speaking of lacking gravity, U.S. President Barack Obama is a nice guy, but his vision on space is lightweight. He has scuttled the idea of human missions to the moon and Mars, instead promising to send astronauts to an asteroid by 2020.

"Mars buffs have had it with the government. If you want to do anything right, you have to do it yourself. So Elon Musk, the guy who invented PayPal and the Tesla electric car, has announced he's mounting an expedition to Mars. Details to follow."

Gee, that's great. Let's all go to a rock.

But the romance of interplanetary space travel is not dead. The theme of the conference — attended by actual grownups — was Mars or Bust! All right! Where do I sign up? If I knew what to pack, I'd start now.

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The fact is no one is quite sure how to get there, or whether we could stand the extended blast of

cosmic radiation that goes with a long space flight. But that didn't bother anyone at Mars Or Bust 2011, or prevent them from debating the marriage of X-ray pulsar deep-space navigation versus Variable Specific Impulse Magnetoplasma Rockets (VASIMR). Whatever. Beam me up, Scotty.

Right in the middle of Mars Or Bust, scientists discovered (or thought they did — there's a lot of that when it comes to Mars) actual water on Mars. This of course means it won't be long before we identify the martians themselves, who have stayed under the radar until determining if our intentions are friendly.

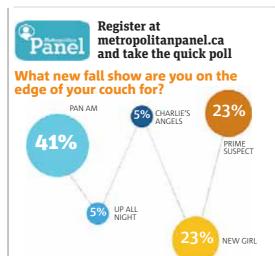
It's OK. You can come out now. We come in peace. Let me be the first to shake your tentacle.

Now, how about a condo development with a view of Olympus Mons (just the highest peak in the solar system at 29 kilometres!).

You'll be a wealthy ... entity.

Hey, being the first man on Mars has its advantages.

Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsaying



#### Local tweets



►@Hum\_Dig: LOOKING for both a #DRUMMER

and #BASSIST in #Ottawadrop us a line for more info #ottcity

#### @ifyouseekjesse:

@Joan\_Rivers Can we have a glass of wine after your #Ottawa show in September?! I am counting down the days with red Xs on my calendar! @BieberBreezy15:

GBIEDERSFEEZY15:
 @MissKeriBaby i can't believe your actually in OTTAWA ...O-town LOVES
 UUU

@SarahSeguin: Dads in

an awful mood, the next 6 hours to Ottawa should be lovely..

#### ► @TaniaBambi:

"@LilTunechi: Headed to kanada!" lol it's Kanata (Ottawa) aka where your concert at or perhaps you ment Canada.

- ▶ **@J\_R\_Fitzpatrick:** Racing ottawa tomorrow night, hope to see lots of people
- ▶ @ love\_black\_mk:
  @WhitneyMixterLA
  @shotcalla when r u
  ladies arriving in Ottawa
  for pride? Will u be partying all weekend or just
  that Sunday? Xx

#### Letter

If you had the power to change your city's transit system, what would you do?

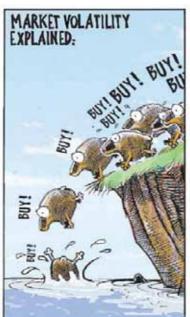
Ottawa needs to allow pets on buses. Pet owners who don't drive can not get anywhere in the city with a pet.

#### ADAM KREBS

The biggest improvement would be to have a National Captial Transit System where you don't have two totally non-connective systems existing. Look at the folks out at LeBreton Flats looking to transfer to a short bus north to connect to the STO system.

#### DAVE

1. Bus stops without shelters? Given this is Canada and not Florida, this is a pretty dumb question, isn't it? 2. Provide French translations in the stop announcements ONLY when the translation has value. Bank & Slater is Bank & Slater, period. Repeating it with a forced french accent is not only nauseating, it's silly and pointless. 3. All in all, I find the system pretty reliable. IERRY GORDON





WEIRD NEWS

# First up on the agenda: Naming a street after the Biebs

The 11-year-old "mayor for a day" of a Dallas-area city knows what her first major act in office will be: Renaming part of Main Street for teen heart-throb Justin Bieber.

A temporary sign for "Justin Bieber Way" went up yesterday during a ceremony in Forney, Texas.

City manager Brian

Brooks says the request came from 11-year-old Caroline Gonzalez. She won a contest meant to get young people interested in municipal government. She's active in student council, recycling and community-service projects.

Brooks says city officials weren't able to reach Bieber to invite him to Forney, which is about 24

kilometres east of Dallas.

The tween politician's act won't cost the community much.

Officials say the sign was made for about \$20 and would only be displayed for the day.

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# The spy who loved mom

● In honour of the latest Spy Kids movie, we asked parents if their kids would make good spies ● The results will have you laughing ... and probably locking your bedroom door



Name of Mom: Robin Kid: Seth, 8 Why he makes a good spy: "Every day when he gets home, he goes on some kind of 'mission.' He makes all kinds of spy gear and is always dress-

makes all kinds of spy
gear and is always dressing up as agents. He
made a keypad out of paper for his door so he

could 'secure' his room.
Since I'm his mom, he
gave me a code to punch
in so that I can enter."

Name of Mom: Zoe Kid: Ezra, age 7 Why he makes a good spy: "He talked his Dad into buying him a toy motion detector alarm that really works. He sets it up all over the house and then lies in wait for me to trigger it. I round the corner at the top of the stairs and trip the laser and wham-

mo — sirens go off. Ezra

mo — sirens go off. Ezra jumps out from behind the door shouting, 'Caught you!'"

Name of Mom: Marisa Kid: Molly, age 8 Why she makes a good spy: "She likes to sneak around our hallway with a little spy notebook and invisible ink. Unfortunately, all she has detected so far is our neighbours going to the recycling bin or carrying in bags from the



supermarket. But if there's ever a conspiracy on the 9th floor, she'll be on top of it." © RAVEN SNOOK



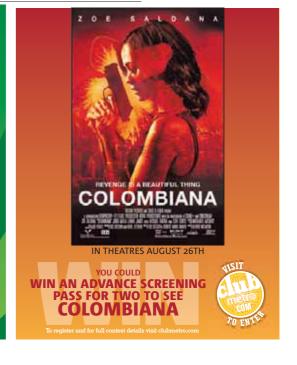


J.K. Rowling is not amused by a publisher's promise that some of its books will be brought to her attention.
PublishAmerica is telling authors that for a fee they will tell her about their books.
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# Conan the gruesome

#### **○** DVD getting shocking scenes theatrical release couldn't include **○** Iconic character re-born



After years on TV shows like Baywatch and Stargate: Atlantis, Jason Momoa is enjoying his jump to the big screen in Conan the Barbarian. Metro caught up with Momoa to

talk about the right number of beheadings to make a scene work, baring all and the untimely end of his Game of Thrones character, Khal Drogo.

How was the preparation for playing such an iconic character?

I mean, that was very hard, dude. It's daunting because I've never seen my body in that kind of shape before. I've never done those kinds of things before, so it was really hard, for sure. But it was totally an honour because I'm a big fan, you know what I mean? I think they picked the right guy because I'm a huge fan of it — Frank Frazetta and the comic books — so I don't know, I

didn't get scared or nervous or anything. I was really just super-excited about it the whole time.

### You weren't worried about having to bare your backside on screen?

Well, I don't know man. I'm Hawaiian, man. You guys invented clothes, not me. I'm kind of fine with it. Obviously predominantly most of the stuff I've done I've had my shirt off. It's just ... kind of uncomfortable. I don't know. But it's Conan, and it's what he does. He makes love, he fights and he f—s, he drinks. It goes with the territory, you know what I mean?

I heard there's some stuff for the DVD that was too



gruesome for the theatrical release?

Yeah. You're going to be shocked. There's lots that was cut out that in truth I really loved but obviously was a little too gruesome.

# BEAST IS THE MASTER OF SORCERY MOVIES

#### IN FOCUS

RICHARD CROUSE



Sword-andsorcery movies are easy to spot. Look for a bare-chested

hero, damsels in distress, big swords and at least one character described as "a mysterious warrior of dark magic."

You'll also see an epic story, a hint of romance, some fantasy and, of course swashbuckling battle scenes.

On film the genre had its heyday with two 1980s



cheese fondues starring Arnold Schwarzenegger and Brigitte Nielsen (as the She-Devil with a Sword) respectively — Conan the Barbarian and Red Sonja. This weekend Hollywood hopes to breathe new life into the genre with a reimagining of the Schwarzenegger saga. Stepping in for Arnold Jason Game of Thrones Momoa will battle monsters, evil henchmen and a powerful witch, played by Rose McGowan in Conan the Barbarian.

Critics have always had an ambivalent relationship with sword and sorcery. The 1982 Conan the Barbarian was described as "both exciting AND unintentionally amusing," while Red Sonja was dismissed as "pure silliness, but not silly enough to qualify as amusing."

The Beastmaster is a 1982 film starring the Canadian-born Marc Singer as Dar, a warrior with a mystical control over all animals, has only has a 50 per cent fresh rating on Rotten Tomatoes, but has become a cult classic over the years due to near constant exposure on television

TBS played the movie so often it earned the nickname The Beastmaster Station. Ditto HBO which one writer joked stood for "Hey, Beastmaster is On."

No mention of sword and sorcery films could be complete without Hercules.

There are dozens of films starring the Greek demigod but Hercules Against the Moon Men must be the silliest.

This grade z flick is so bad its director, Giacomo Gentilomo, who also made Slave Girls of Sheba and Goliath and the Island of Vampires, quit the film business shortly after the movie was completed.









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# Hell-o Harry: Most eligible royal back on the market?

▶ It's over: Prince Harry and his model girlfriend part ways ▶ Rumour has it the ginger-haired hottie wants to focus on his helicopter training



Prince Harry and model Florence Brudenell-Bruce have reportedly called it quits because Harry is preparing for the army, according to People maga-

Justin Bieber is Hollywood's

richest teen, according to

People magazine. The Cana-

dian pop sensation pulled

"Harry has a lot on his mind at the moment. He is concentrating on his Apache helicopter training. After that he's expect-

last year. Most of his im-

pressive income came from

his 3-D movie, Never Say

Never, and his perfume

Someday,

return to Afghanistan," a source says of the Prince, who recently returned from a vacation with friends to Majorca.

"Harry enjoyed spend-

reached \$3 million in retail

Cyrus dropped to the sec-

ond spot, earning only \$48

Former No. 1 Miley

sales in just three weeks.

ing time with friends over the summer, but he doesn't want to be tied down in a relationship when training."

million last

#### **Celebrity tweets**



"I had a lot of fun traveling

around, but I'm glad to be home. Last night I got up to get some water and

wound up in my closet." @ConanOBrien

> "Betting big on tech stock, Is "America Online" a good

company?"

"About to ao on Regis. I'm aoina to ask about his childhood and what it was like to ride a triceratops to school."



"Time for bed fantasy football league owners dinner

tonight time to get serious about my draft!"



# Salma embraces her crazy riches

Salma Hayek won't necessarily make any friends durthe economic downturn, given her latest comments about being

"I never understood the point of being privileged if you don't get to have the privileges," Hayek tells Allure magazine.

"Like, people who won't take their kids

to an expensive restaurant, or won't travel with them, or pay for everything at a re-

think it's important that kids have responsibilities and understand the value of things, but I think it's great I get to travel the world with my daughter." Hayek married French billionaire Francois-Henri Pinault in 2009, and the pair have a three-year-old

daughter, Valentina.

# The Voice is a more gay-friendly show than Idol: Adam Levine

Biebs pulls in more than Miley Cyrus



Adam Levine says the reason his singing competition show, the Voice, is better than American Idol is because of how his show treats gay contestants.

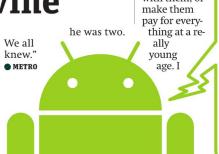
'What's always pissed me off about Idol is wanting to mask that, for that to go unspoken," he tells Out magazine.

"Come on. You can't be publicly gay? At this

point? On a singing competition? Give me a break. You can't hide basic components of these people's lives.'

Levine is especially passionate about the topic because of his brother.

"I can single-handedly dispel any ideas that sexuality is acquired," Levine laughs. "Trust me, you're born with it. My brother is gay, and we knew when



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# Kick back in breathtaking Kick back in breathtaking Killarney

- Nestled on the shores of Georgian Bay, Killarney is well-known for its rugged charm
- Pristine locale north of Toronto is just far enough away to keep the crowds at bay





It doesn't take long to decompress in Killarney, although a jump into the soothing waters of Lake Huron on a hot summer day certainly speeds up the process.

Lounging by the rocky shore of Georgian Bay, the stillness of the day is only occasionally broken by the sound of children playing on the beach or the gurgle of boats passing through the channel. Whether relaxing in the sun or feasting on mouth-watering fish and chips, Killarney offers a welcome respite from the complications of everyday life.

A five-hour drive north

of Toronto, Killarney is famed for its rugged natural beauty.

Outdoor lovers and artists flock to Killarney Provincial Park, yet the region is remote enough to have escaped the crowds and development experienced further south in Muskoka and the Kawarthas.

The village of Killarney is the hub for the region, nestled among the red granite rocks of the Canadian Shield. It's a popular stop for sailboats and cruisers plying the Great Lakes, in addition to fans of hiking, kayaking, canoeing and rock-hounding.

Here visitors will find Killarney Mountain Lodge, a 46-room resort on the

#### What to do

Herbert Fisheries
Fish and Chips
Killarney's main culinary
attraction is Herbert
Fisheries Fish and Chips.
People have been known to
fly in to town for the sole
purpose of tasting their
French fries and whitefish,
lightly-battered and cooked
to flaky perfection. There
are no frozen fish sticks
here; the catch is brought
in daily from Lake Huron.
Group of Seven

Group of Seven Killarney Provincial Park

eastern edge of town.
Originally built as a private retreat for the Frue-

hauf Trailer Company of

Detroit, the resort has

has been a popular spot for artists ever since the region was featured in paintings by the Group of Seven. A.Y. Jackson was so concerned about logging that he spearheaded a successful lobbying effort to set aside land to protect its rugged beauty, eventually leading to the founding of the park.

How to get there From Toronto by car, take Hwy. 400 North to Hwy. 69 then take 637 West to Killarney. It is a 4½ to 5 hour drive.

been operated by Maury and Annabelle East since 1962. The cottage-like design hasn't changed much since then, with its inviting wood decor and comfortable furniture.

Friendly activity directors check in with guests to inform them about scheduled sailing excursions, kayak lessons and scenic hikes.

"We try to encourage people to take those trips," says East. "We hope that they get out either on the bay or on the inland lakes to see the beauty of the area."

After a long day enjoying the outdoors, lodge visitors can enjoy comfort food made from tried and true recipes. Local ingredients are used whenever possible, from fresh panfried fish to succulent wild blueberries.



#### **Viva Las Vegas**



A report shows tourism continued to improve in June in Las Vegas, with the 16th straight month of increases in visitors and average hotel room rates.

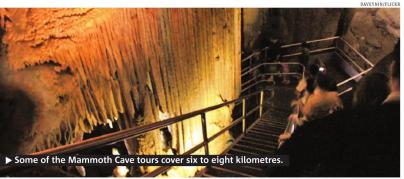
The Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority released a report Wednesday that shows visitor numbers grew seven per cent and average daily room rates jumped 13 per cent in June compared with June 2010. The average daily hotel room rate rose from \$89.54 in June 2010 to \$101.15 this year.

Gambling revenue jumped most dramatically on the Las Vegas Strip, with a 32.3 per cent year-over-year increase. The Boulder Strip showed more modest gains of 5.7 per cent.

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### Kentucky cave tours beat the heat Blasts of cool air offered a welcome reprieve from the scorching summer as a tour group descended into the depths of the world's

longest known cave. Some visitors donned light jackets for the long hike past panoramic scenes of subterranean wonders.

Heading underground at Mammoth Cave National Park is a sure way to escape the dog days of August. The celebrated cave that has lured the curious for thousands of years remains a temperate 12 C vear-round.

"It's the first time I've been cool in I don't know how long," said Sarah Hyatt, who travelled from Maryland to marvel at the massive limestone formations with her parents and her eight-year-old daughter.

Each year, about 700,000 people take the short trip off Interstate 65 to visit Mammoth Cave, with the peak time coming in sum-

In winter, the cave's temperate climate gives it a balmy feel, said park spokeswoman Vickie Carson.

Tours cater to a range of visitors.

One tour suited for small children, the elderly and others who can't walk long distances covers about a half-kilometre and includes just a dozen stairs. Other tours cover six to eight kilometres and put participants through vigorous workouts.

On the popular Historic Tour, visitors take a winding three-kilometre hike that leads them some 95 metres below the surface.

It's not a stroll in the park. Participants have to chug up and down 440 stairs.

Wide walkways leading into expansive "rooms" give way to belly-scraping paths that take a serpentine route through the rock.

For adults, there's stooping to manoeuvre past low rock ceilings and sideways squeezing to slip through a narrow passage in a part of the cave known as Fat Man's Mis-

There's a steep climb up a stairway at a majestic part of the cave known as Mammoth Dome.

"How are those hourlong aerobic workouts working for you now?" Hyatt asked her mother jokingly as visitors huffed their way upward.

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- Orange slices
- Maraschino cherries

In a blender container, pour in water, bourbon, lemonade and orange juice. Cover the blender and process the mixture until it is smooth. With the motor running, remove feeder cap; add ice cubes. Continue to process until smooth. Garnish with orange slice and maraschino

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#### **Preparation:**

- Place corn on greased grill over medium high heat; close lid and cook turning occasionally for about 10 minutes. Remove to cutting board. When cool enough, cut kernels off. Place in bowl.
- Bring potatoes to boil in a pot of water. Boil for 15 minutes or until tender when pierced but not falling apart. Remove with slotted spoon to cutting board. Add green beans into boiling water and cook for 5 minutes. Drain and cut in half: set aside.
- Cut potatoes in half, larger ones in quarters and add to bowl with corn. Add green beans, tomato and basil.
- In bowl, whisk oil, vinegar, sundried tomatoes, garlic, mustard and salt. Pour over potato mix and toss gently to coat. EMILY RICHARDS IS A PROFES-SIONAL HOME ECONOMIST COOKBOOK AUTHOR AND A TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE.



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#### **Ingredients:**

- 4 cobs of corn, shucked • 1 ½ lbs (750 g) mini new potatoes
- 8 oz (250 g) green beans, trimmed
- 1 field tomato, chopped
- 1/3 cup (75 mL) chopped fresh basil • 3 tbsp (45 mL) each extra
- virgin olive oil and cider vinegar
- 3 tbsp (45 mL) chopped sundried tomatoes in oil
- 2 cloves or 1 large clove garlic, minced
- 1 tsp (5 mL) Dijon mustard

• ½ tsp (2 mL) salt

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Cover this salad and re-

#### **Salad Tips**

#### The Potatoes

You can use white or red mini potatoes for the salad. If you are using large new potatoes, cut them into large chunks after boiling. They will also take a bit longer to cook through.

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• Back-to-school brings with it a boom in asthma attacks and hospital visits, experts say

# School has them breathing not-so-easy

#### Asthma info

There are two kinds of asthma medication

Drugs dubbed "rescuers" relax the muscles around the airways to quickly ease breathing in case of

an attack, but they don't treat inflammation.

"Control" medications. such as inhaled steroids, help soothe the inflammation that causes asthma symptoms. They must be used consistently Oni Joseph used to go to her son's school each fall and explain why he was constantly sniffling and out of breath. Her son, 13-year-old Tou-

ssaint, was "born wheezy," and his asthma has only grown worse with time, the Ottawa poet and mother

Now, of course, the teen's teachers and classmates are used to his perpetually runny nose, his stash of tissues and his inhaler, a device used to send medication directly into the airways, his mother said.

But Joseph, 38, still worries about sending him back to school in September, a month when asthma attacks - and asthma-related visits to the emergency room — skyrocket.

Toussaint's symptoms always flare up in the fall, she said, and "he's had so many (attacks) this year," including two that had the family dashing to the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario in a panic.

"It's the scariest thing as a parent because you can't do anything. So I'm very stressed."

ONI IOSEPH. MOTHER OF YOUNG **ASTHMA SUFFERER** 

"It's the scariest thing as a parent because you can't do anything," she said. "So I'm very stressed."

Each year, the so-called "September epidemic" strikes legions of children who suffer from asthma, a respiratory condition that affects roughly 10 per cent of children and causes more than 200 deaths annually, according to Statistics Canada.

Studies show the first few weeks of school bring a boom in asthma attacks - violent, often terrifying episodes marked by coughing, wheezing and chest tightness - and trips to the emergency room.

Hospital visits hit a "dramatic peak" 17 days after Labour Day, a holiday gen-

erally considered the end of summer vacation, said Neil Johnston, an epidemiologist at the Firestone Institute for Respiratory Health in Hamilton.

from severe asthma.

For older teens and adults, the spike comes about a week later and isn't as pronounced, said Johnston, who has analyzed the phenomenon in a number of studies.

"Things that are so exquisitely timed don't just happen by accident. There's something going on," he said, noting researchers in Britain and Trinidad have spotted the same pattern.

Though the September spike is predictable, it's not entirely preventable, given all the factors at play.

But there's a lot families can do to lessen its impact, said Dr. Paul Ehrlich, a pediatric allergist in New York City and co-author of "Asthma, Allergies, Children: A Parent's Guide.'

Oni Joseph is seen with her son Toussaint, 13, who suffers

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Parents should visit the school's health clinic to make sure nurses there know how to administer medication with an inhaler, he said.

They should also talk to teachers and explain why their children are itchy, sneezy or wheezy, the doctor said.

And some parents may want to spend a day tagging along with their little ones to spot possible pitfalls, such as dusty mats and rugs for nap time, he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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I completed my undergraduate degree in Political Studies at Queen's University in April 2010. Like many students in a Bachelor of Arts program, I found it difficult to find meaningful employment each summer. With no formal business training, I applied to countless jobs with little luck.

I was particularly interested in marketing intern-I'd taken an ships. introductory course at Queen's and gained volunteer experience in the field, but unfortunately, I lacked the theoretical knowledge taught in business programs.



As I sent off resumé after resumé, it finally dawned on me - I wasn't getting interviews because hiring managers weren't

even reading my application. Since I wasn't a business student, none of my relevant skills seemed to

In April, I completed the Graduate Public Relations certificate program at Humber College. I am currently working as a communications intern in the energy industry.

Companies often dismiss BA students for summer positions because they don't have a business background.

This eliminates talented candidates from the hiring pool and perpetuates the myth that they're unqualified for these roles.

The truth is, many strategic and creative departments could benefit from the skills BA students bring to the table. Most of what an intern is responsible for is taught on the job. It's not about whether someone has completed dozens of marketing case studies in class; it's about being a fast learner and having the talent required to get the job done.

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Kev take-aways from Erin's experience:

While in school, engage in extracurricular and volunteer activities that allow you to build skills outside of your degree.

Then, in interviews, be sure to thoroughly discuss how those activities have prepared you for the role. If you don't have the educational background, it's your job to convince the employer that you're more than ca-





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## A BULLY GETS HER WAY

# **WORKPLACE**

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What happens to the workbully place when he or she is fired for bullying? Sharon

Lynn Rodrigues, a manager at a Dairy Queen in Castlegar, B.C., was a very competent employee. But she was also a bully.

Rodrigues openly swore at work, referred to her staff as "stupid," arrived late, took long breaks and did not hesitate to criticize other employees for their performance. When she was in a foul mood, she miserable to be around, and co-workers accused her of being verbally abusive. Even the restaurant's owner was afraid to confront her.

Although Rodrigues saw many of the staff as friends, they did not see it that way. They found her difficult to work for and highly critical.

Rodrigues's ment style eventually caught up to her when complaints mounted to the restaurant's owner, Tim Kenna. One employee even inquired about a harassment claim. In response, Kenna resolved to deliver the message in the form of a probationary letter, warning Rodrigues that her behaviour was intolerable and that unless it improved, she would be fired. Kenna then left the store.

In Kenna's absence, Rodrigues launched a tirade against him, showing the letter to the staff and calling Kenna an idiot or a moron — or possibly worse. She even showed the letter to a customer. Eventually,

she just left. The situation was extremely awkward for the staff and one of them threatened not to return to the store until the problem was resolved. When Kenna learned what happened, he fired her.

Out of a job of 16 years and without severance, Rodrigues sued. Amazingly, she was in luck. The legal doctrine of condonation provides that an employer cannot later rely on misconduct as grounds for discipline if no steps were taken to correct that behaviour when it first occurred. Here, Kenna made one crucial mistake. Although he was aware of the staff's concerns, he stood by, never formally warning Rodrigues that her behaviour was unacceptable — until it was too late. Because of this, Rodrigues was wrongfully dismissed and awarded damages.

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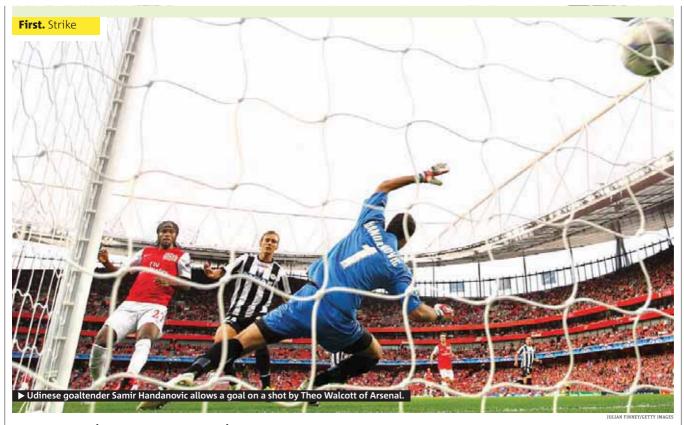
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Arsenal scores early then holds on in Champions League

Arsenal held on to beat Udinese 1-0 after Theo Walcott's early goal in the Champions League playoff round yesterday.

Walcott struck just four minutes into the first leg before the wasteful home side had to withstand intense pressure from the Italian visitors to protect the victory. Contesting the Champions League is vital to Arsene Wenger's hopes of attracting the players who can fill the void left by Cesc Fabregas' departure to Barcelona.

# NHL copes with loss of Rypien

▶ Fallen Jet was dealing with depression ▶ 'We thought we were on course': Former GM Gillis

After taking time away from his NHL career to battle depression, Rick Rypien finally appeared to be in a good place.

The scrappy centre, formerly with the Vancouver Canucks, recently signed with the Winnipeg Jets along with longtime friend Jason Jaffray. He appeared content and at peace and talked about the possibility of winning the Stanley Cup.

That's why news of Rypien's sudden death Monday came as a shock to Jaffray and others who watched Rypien battle his way, physically and mentally, into the NHL.

"Everyone knew he had some issues that he had to get taken care of last year and he was definitely a new man when he came back and ... he was definitely the happiest I'd ever seen him,"



Jaffray said yesterday from his home in Olds, Alta. "We actually had joked around about bringing a cup back to Winnipeg."

Rypien was scheduled to fly to Winnipeg on Sunday night to have his knee checked Monday, Jets assistant general manager Craig Heisinger said. But he never boarded that flight.

"He had left me a message Sunday morning ... he just wanted to know whether there was ice to skate at," Heisinger said during a news conference yesterday. "I spent some time trying to track him

"Either something happened very quickly or we all missed the boat."

JETS ASSISTANT GM CRAIG

HEISINGER ON RICK RYPIEN

down (Monday) and was unable to do so."

The RCMP in Crowsnest Pass, Alta., said they received a call Monday afternoon concerning a "sudden and non-suspicious" death.

There was no immediate word on the cause of death.

Rypien had been dealing with depression for at least a decade, said Heisinger, who was the GM of the Manitoba Moose when Rypien played for the AHL team. By the summer, Heisinger said, Rypien appeared to have gained the upper hand. He had just signed a one-year, \$700,000

US deal with the Jets.

"He seemed really excited to be back here," Heisinger said. "I think there was a comfort zone here for him."

Rypien, 27, spent parts of six seasons with the Canucks organization. He played nine games with Vancouver last season and spent most of the year dealing with personal issues.

Jaffray, who played with Rypien in both Vancouver and Winnipeg, said Rypien did not talk much about his troubles.

"Even being his roommate, and on the road ... he didn't like to talk about that kind of stuff a whole lot," Jaffray said. "And guys knew not to pry because when you did try to pry, he kind of got uncomfortable."

Rypien had been getting treatment, although

Canucks GM Mike Gillis would not go into great detail.

"Over the course of the last three seasons, we participated in a variety of different initiatives with him and we were all really close with him," Gillis said yesterday in Toronto. "We had an understanding of what we thought was going on and had a number of outside agencies involved in assisting us and we felt we were on course.

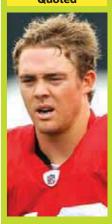
"We felt he was making progress in a lot of different areas. When he signed with Winnipeg, we were all really happy for him."

Although small in stature, the five-foot-11, 190-pound Rypien never shied away from a fight. His tenacity made him a fan favourite.

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Baltimore	47	72	.395	261/2
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Detroit	65	57	.533	_
Cleveland	60	57	.513	21/2
Chicago	60	60	.500	4
Minnesota	53	68	.438	111/2
Kansas City	50	72	.410	15
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Texas	70	52	.574	_
Los Angeles	65	57	.533	5
Seattle	53	67	.442	16
Oakland	53	68	.438	161/2

#### Last night's results

Boston 3 Tampa Bay 1 (1st game) Detroit 7, Minnesota 1 Tampa Bay at Boston (2nd game) Cleveland at Chicago White Sox N.Y. Yankees at Kansas City Toronto at Seattle Baltimore at Oakland Texas at L.A. Angels

#### Monday's Results

Seattle 6 Toronto 5 Baltimore 6 Oakland 2 Minnesota 9 Detroit 6 N.Y. Yankees 7 Kansas City 4 Texas 8 L.A. Angels 4

#### Today's games

Tampa Bay (Price 10-10) at Boston (Lackey 11-8), 1:35 p.m. Baltimore (Simon 3-5) at Oakland (McCarthy

5-6), 3:35 p.m. Minnesota (Pavano 6-9) at Detroit (Penny 8-

9), 7:05 p.m.

Cleveland (Carmona 5-12) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 10-5), 8:10 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Colon 8-6) at Kansas City (Chen 7-5), 8:10 p.m.

Texas (C.Wilson 11-5) at L.A. Angels (E.Santana 9-8), 10:05 p.m.

Toronto (Morrow 8-7) at Seattle (Reavan 3-3). 10:10 p.m.

#### Tomorrow's games

Roston at Kansas City, 8:10 n m Cleveland at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m. N.Y. Yankees at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m. Toronto at Oakland, 10:05 p.m. Texas at L.A. Angels, 10:05 p.m.

#### **NATIONAL LEAGUE**

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#### Last night's results Washington 6, Cincinnati 4

Arizona 3. Philadelphia 2 St. Louis at Pittsburgh San Francisco at Atlanta Chicago Cubs at Houston L.A. Dodgers at Milwaukee Florida at Colorado

#### N.Y. Mets at San Diego Monday's Games

Atlanta 5, San Francisco 4 Pittsburgh 6, St. Louis 2 Chicago Cubs 4, Houston 3 Milwaukee 3, L.A. Dodgers 0 Colorado 7, Florida 4 N.Y. Mets 5, San Diego 4, 10 innings

Chicago Cubs (C.Coleman 2-4) at Houston (Norris 5-8), 2:05 p.m. N.Y. Mets (Gee 10-4) at San Diego (Latos 6-11), 6:35 p.m.

Arizona (J.Saunders 8-9) at Philadelphia (Cl.Lee 12-7), 7:05 p.m.

Cincinnati (Cueto 8-5) at Washington (Detwiler 1-2), 7:05 p.m.

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San Francisco (Cain 9-9) at Atlanta (Jurrjens 12-4), 7:10 p.m.

L.A. Dodgers (Eovaldi 1-0) at Milwaukee (Greinke 11-4), 8:10 p.m. Florida (Nolasco 9-8) at Colorado (A.Cook 2-7),

8:40 p.m.

#### Tomorrow's games

L.A. Dodgers at Milwaukee, 2:10 p.m Arizona at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m. Cincinnati at Washington, 7:05 p.m. San Francisco at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m. Florida at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.

#### **MONDAY**

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Seattle						
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#### **PRE-SEASON**

Monday's result Houston 20 N.Y. Jets 16 Tomorrow's

New England at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m. Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 8 p.m. Friday's games

Washington at Indianapolis, 7 p.m. Carolina at Miami, 7:30 p.m. Detroit at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m. Kansas City at Baltimore, 7:30 p.m. Arizona at Green Bay, 8 p.m. Atlanta at Jacksonville, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 20 Oakland at San Francisco, 8 p.m.

Tennessee at St. Louis, 8 p.m. New Orleans at Houston, 8 p.m. Buffalo at Denver, 8:30 p.m. Minnesota at Seattle, 10 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 21 Cincinnati at N.Y. Jets, 7 p.m.

San Diego at Dallas, 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22 Chicago at N.Y. Giants, 8 p.m.

#### CFL

#### **WEEK EIGHT**

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7 1 6 0 167 202 7 1 6 0 147 229 Saskatchewan Byes: Calgary, Hamilton, Montreal, Winnipeg Tomorrow's game

Saskatchewan at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.

Friday's game

B.C. at Edmonton, 9 p.m.

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#### MLS

Sunday's result Houston 2 Portland 1 Tonight's games Houston at New England, 7:30 p.m. Portland at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m. **Tomorrow's game** D.C. United at Chicago, 9 p.m.

#### **UEFA**

#### **CHAMPIONS LEAGUE**

Yesterday's results Arsenal (England) 1 Udinese (Italy) 0 BATE Borisov (Belarus) 1 Sturm Graz (Austria) 1 Copenhagen (Denmark) 1 Viktoria Plzen (Czech Republic) 3 Lvon (France) 3 Rubin Kazan (Russia) 1

Twente (Netherlands) 2 Benfica (Portugal) 2

#### **TRANSACTIONS**

#### **BASEBALL**

**AMERICAN LEAGUE** BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Agreed to terms with 3B Nick Delmonico

BOSTON RED SOX-Agreed to terms with RHP Matt Barnes, C Blake Swihart, LHP Henry Owens, OF Jackie Bradley Jr., RHP Noe Ramirez, SS Mookie Betts, LHP Cody Kukuk

and RHP Matt Spalding.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Placed C A.J. Pierzynski on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Aug. 13. Selected the contract of C Donny Lucy from

Charlotte (IL).
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Agreed to terms with RHP Shawn Armstrong. Assigned 2B Zachary McPhee to Mahoning Valley (NYP). DETROIT TIGERS—Optioned INF Will Rhymes to Toledo (IL).

MINNESOTA TWINS—Acquired RHP Lester Oliveros from Detroit to complete Monday's Delmon Young trade, and assigned him Rochester (IL). Assigned LHP Cole Nelson to Fort Myers (FSL) and LHP Brett Lee to the GCL

NEW YORK YANKEES—Agreed to terms with C Gregory Bird, OF Jake Cave, RHP William
Davis, LHP Daniel Camarena, LHP Chaz Herhort and RHP Joseph Mahor

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Agreed to terms with RHP Colin O'Connell and LHP Chris Lamb. SEATTLE MARINERS—Released RHP Chris Ray. Agreed to terms with SS Brad Miller, SS Cavan Cohoes and RHP Carson Smith. TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Placed RHP Jon Rauch

on the 15-day DL. Designated LHP Trever Miller for assignment. Selected the contracts of LHP Wil Ledezma and LHP Rommie Lewis from Las Vegas (PCL)

#### **NATIONAL LEAGUE**

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Released RHP Juan Jaime. Agreed to terms with LHP Will Locante and OF Joseph Loftus. Selected the contract of LHP Wade Miley from Reno (PCL). Placed RHP Jason Marguis on the 15-day DL. ATLANTA BRAVES-Recalled RHP Randall Delgado from Gwinnett (IL). Optioned C J.C. Boscan to Gwinnett. CHICAGO CURS—Agreed to terms with SS

Javier Baez, 1B Daniel Vogelbach, RHP Tony Zych, RHP Taylor Scott, OF Shawon Dunston Jr. and RHP Dillon Maples.

CINCINNATI REDS—Assigned RHP Michael Dennhardt to the Arizona League Reds. FLORIDA MARLINS—Agreed to terms with RHP Jose Fernandez. Assigned LHP Adam Conley to the GCL Marlins.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Assigned RHP

Scott Barlow and C Tyler Ogle to the Arizona League Dodgers.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Agreed to terms

with OF Larry Greene and SS Roman Quinn. PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Activated OF Jose Tabata from the 15-day DL, Optioned INF Pedro Alvarez to Indianapolis (IL). Assigned OF indon Myles to the GCL Pirates

#### **FOOTBALL**

#### NFL ATLANTA FALCONS—Agreed to terms with TE

Reggie Kelly. Waived WR P.J. Gore.
CINCINNATI BENGALS—Terminated the contract of DT Tank Johnson, Waived TE Garrett

DALLAS COWBOYS—Waived WR Dominique

Edison.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Signed DE Tyler Bray-

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Signed DL Harold Avo-

NEW YORK GIANTS—Re-signed S Deon Grant. Signed DB Derrick Martin. Waived/Injured WR Sam Giguere. Waived CB Cary Harris. SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Waived LB James

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed S Atari Bigby. Waived FB Dorson Boyce.

#### **HOCKEY**

#### NHL

DETROIT RED WINGS—Renewed their affilia-tion agreement with Toledo (ECHL).

#### **LACROSSE**

MINNESOTA SWARM—Re-signed G Drew Dickie to a two-year contract. Agreed to terms with G Tyler Carlson, D Kiel Donahue, F Joel

**GOLF** 

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7. Adam Scott	Aus	5.80
B. Jason Day	Aus	5.62
9. Dustin Johnson	USA	5.54
10. Nick Watney	USA	5.40
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12. Matt Kuchar	USA	5.24
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35. Darren Clarke		3.12
36. Justin Rose	Eng	
37. Gary Woodland 38. Jason Dufner 39. Bo Van Pelt 40. Bill Haas	USA	3.10
38. Jason Durner	USA	3.10
39. Bo Van Pelt	USA	3.06
40. BIII Haas	USA	3.04
41. Louis Oosthuizen	SAf	2.94
42. Y.E. Yang	Kor Jpn	2.94
43. Ryo Ishikawa		2.92
44. Tim Clark	SAf	2.90
45. Ryan Moore	USA	2.87
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#### Cargo space

Raising the hatch reveals a cargo hold that's about 50 per cent larger than that of the standard Prius. However, with the 60:40 split-folding rearseat and the front-passenger seat back lowered, interior stowage volume bests most other compact wagons on the market and nearly matches Toyota's mid-size Venza wagon for space.

When transporting people, the rear bench can be adjusted fore and aft and will recline up to 45 degrees.

#### SofTex

With the launch of the v, Toyota is also introducing what it calls SofTex. It's an optional synthetic leather-like seat covering that the company claims is lighter than leather, more stain resistant and uses far fewer nasty chemicals in the manufacturing process than other faux leather materials.

All Prius models arrive well equipped, and among the more interesting options is a Panoramic View Moonroof with power-retractable sunshades

#### **Engine**

The Prius v shares the 98-horsepower, 1.8-litre gas engine and 80-horsepower electric motor (that generates 134 net horsepower) and continuously variable transmission with its smaller hatchback sibling.

Still, even with the use of lighter highstrength steel and aluminum, the v is about 100 kilograms heavier than a regular Prius and pays the price in the fuel-economy department.



# The 'v' is for versatile



And then there were two. The Prius brand is welcoming a new family member with the autumn arrival of the Prius v wagon. Toyota explains the lower-case "v" stands for versatile, but perhaps the automaker should have also added a "p" for practicality.

The current Prius hatchback that was introduced for the 2010 model year is already plenty practical, but the upcoming wagon goes one better. It also has a more conventional appearance that should make the Prius more appealing to a wider range of buyers. And the fact that the v's similar gasolineelectric power team produces exemplary fuel economy numbers — although not nearly as good as the hatch — is one more checkmark in its favour.

The adjustments in converting the Prius into a Prius v are many. First off, the distance between the front and rear wheels has been increased. The roof has also been elevated and the body width increased just a touch.

From the driver's perspective, the v's nearly vertical liftgate makes for improved rear vision.

So far, Toyota is keeping mum on the cost of v ownership, but an on-the-road price in the \$32,000 range is expected. At that rate, the v could add the letter "s" for successful to the wagon's nomenclature.





#### Tovota Prius v



What you should know about the Toyota Prius v:

- Type: Four-door, frontwheel-drive compact wag-
- Engine (hp): 1.8-litre DOHC I4 combined with 60kilowatt electric motor (134).
- Transmission: Continuously variable.
- Market position: The launch of the Prius v underscores Toyota's commitment to the further development of gasolineelectric hybrid vehicles, which so far has proven the cleanest and most cost-efficient way to reduce fuel consumption.
- Mileage: L/100 km (city/hwy) 5.7/5.9.



#### By comparison

#### Lexus CT200h

Base price: \$32,900 Compact hatch appears sporty but comes up a bit short on power.



#### Nissan Leaf

Base price: \$39,900 Electric hatchback fine for short hops, but planning ahead is imperative.



#### Honda CR-Z Base price: \$24,900 Fun-to-drive hatch loves the curves. Stick to the manual-

aearbox version.







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# They just keep on truckin'

Ecoboost V6 takes on a V8 hotrod truck from the past
 They have similar power ratings, but, wow, how times have changed



en years have passed, but two pistons are missing and the belt-driven supercharger has been traded in for two turbochargers and the fancy EcoBoost name. This is progress, in someone's book?

So, can a V6, turbos or not, be any match for a V8? It's the question every person considering a new Ford F-150 is asking when the praises of the 3.5-litre EcoBoost V6 roll off the salesman's tongue. How can a paltry 213 cubic inches of displacement haul around a 2,500-kilogram truck and another 5,100 kilograms of trailer?

It's the obvious question, so when a new four-door EcoBoost F-150 entered our press fleet, the comparisons between our shop truck — the raucous F-150 Lightning SVT, once considered the quickest and fastest pickup truck on the planet — were flying faster than political-campaign promises.

The 1999-'04 Lightning



was based on the twowheel-drive regular-cab Flareside/stepside pickup with the basic principle of keeping it simple to go fast. Still a little on the porky side at 2,100 kilograms, the Lightning sports big brakes, rumbling exhaust and a supercharged 5.4-litre V8 rated at 360 horsepower and uprated to 380 for the 2001 model year with a lower final drive ratio to further help acceleration. Peak torque was 440-450 poundfeet depending on year. Ours is the 360-horsepower version from 2000.

By contrast, the four-door, four-wheel-drive Eco-

"Truck customers should think of the EcoBoost truck engine as a gaspowered engine with diesel-type capability and characteristics."

JIM MAZUCHOWSKI, FORD V6 ENGINES PROGRAM MANAGER

Boost F-150 is like bringing a knife to a gun fight ... where the Lightning is the gun. The bright red pickup has one goal in mind — performance — while the EcoBoost is flooded with luxury, such as a plush interior with chocolate-

coloured leather seats front and back, power running boards, "Platinum" trim and more safety and electronics than would ever fit inside the Lightning.

But, the Ecoboost makes a similar 365 horsepower and 420 pound-feet of torque while giving away about 450 kilograms of weight to the Lightning.

Now what? We took the pair to the dragstrip for a little head-to-head battle.

In terms of pure acceleration, the Lightning clawed away from the bigger and heavier EcoBoost with little trouble, posting quarter-mile times of 13.9

seconds at 100 m.p.h. (160 km/h). The EcoBoost F-150 — which posted impressive times of 15.4 seconds at 92 m.p.h. (147 km/h) — is simply not designed for the same one-dimensional purpose.

Yes, the EcoBoost is a stout little engine. But really, the acceleration only tells a tiny sliver of the story.

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The EcoBoost F-150 Platinum seats five people, or two with a lot of gear. The regular-cab Lightning has room for just two people and almost no gear. As well, the EcoBoost is a 4x4, which makes it an all-season machine where the rear-drive Lightning without any form of traction/stability control to prevent skids and spins is utterly useless with even a skiff of snow and sometimes a handful even on wet pavement.

In terms of towing capacity, the EcoBoost tows 5,100 kilograms to the Lightning's 2,300.

Add in the fuel economy: About 14.7/10.7 l/100 km for the EcoBoost and just 18.0/13.8 l/100 km for the Lightning, and that's quite an "Egoboost" for the new F-150.

#### Top Gear

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More retro for your ride

The modern version of the 1970 Dodge Challenger is a darling of terminally nostalgic car nuts and brings forward many of the original's styling cues.

But, there could always be more, right?

Along with plenty of performance goodies for the Challenger offered by drakemuscle cars.com, you can also get this neat gas cap—in satin or with black accents—that somewhat emulates the original musclecar-era design.

It costs about \$194 US, but head over to Drake to download the four-page Challenger catalogue and read up on the \$1,400 US carbon-fibre hood, the billet-aluminum pistolgrip shifter handle and the billet tower-brace kit to help stiffen up the chassis.

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t's obvious why this is so ... A nice insurance policy won't help you get noticed, like a cool pair of pumps or Air Jordans might. Nor would an insurance policy create the neighbourhood envy possible with a really loud leaf blower.

It also doesn't help that car insurance is expensive, and getting more so every

But we should at least take solace that it is now easier to comparison shop for a good insurance deal, via the rise of online comparison-shopping sites like Kanetix.ca, insurancehot-line.com and others.

"It's a fact of life that some insurers have more attractive offers than others," says George Small, founder and manager of Kanetix.ca.

Whether you find them online or in your local neighbourhood, speaking one-on-one to brokers and agents also has to be part of the shopping experience.

This is to ensure your current or new insurer really understands your needs so you're not under-buying or over-buying.

An agent will represent one insurance company, while a broker would represent several. Leonard Sharman of The Co-operators, one of Canada's largest auto insurers, cautions to be leery of brokers who merely show you their "best quote" — not the same thing as seeing or hearing all the quotes from all the insurers they represent.

You need to have liability and accident benefit coverage. You're probably alright ready at minimum (\$1 million for most provinces), which is more than enough for most folks. If you're paying for more, ask your advisor/broker/agent to explain why they're recommending the higher amount.

But physical damage or collision protection is optional, and if you're driving an older or cheaper car, it might be a good call to drop it. You have less to lose if an older vehicle is hit or totalled. You can also decrease the amount of deductible for at-fault collision protection.

Small notes two factors often contribute to your comfort level with higher deductibles: your financial ability to absorb the extra amount (\$1,000 versus \$500, for example); and your family's collective driving record and expertise (decent or shaky?).

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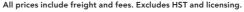




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I'm sure there were squabbles along the way, but when I look back I recall wonderful moments. I remember sunny days, stopping for ice cream at viewpoints along the highway, singing along to popular radio hits as we wound through the mountains and countless giggles as we entertained ourselves with silly road trip games like "I Spy".

But by far, the best part of our road trip was an unexpected adventure along the way. On an excursion to Lake Louise we took a wrong turn, and found ourselves driving down a secluded road underneath a canopy of trees, all alone except for an occasional sighting of wildlife. The views were spectacular and no one was in a hurry to return to the highway, so we carried on.

Eventually, the pavement became bumpy gravel. Crawling along at 10km an hour, we finally came to the end of the road – with a magnificent vista in view: sparkling turquoise water encircled by rugged mountains. Rather than reaching our planned destination, we had accidentally discovered Lake Moraine, a pristine glacial lake, far away from the touristy crowds. We sat still and quiet in the car, taking in the breathtaking view and realizing how lucky we were to get lost after all.

# Last-gen Impreza looks like a reliable performer

#### SECOND GFAR



For years, the Subaru Impreza has been a popular choice for shoppers after all-season performance, versatility and driving confidence.

A lifestyle-oriented model with a reputation for reliability, safety and a "go-anywhere-anytime" attitude, Impreza boasted standard AWD across the board, sedan or five-door variants, and automatic or manual transmissions.

Look for features like a sunroof, automatic climate control, automatic lights, tinted glass and heated seats. Touring, Limited and Convenience packages were also available, depending on the year in question.



#### **Engine**

Standard Impreza models got Subaru's 2.5-litre boxer four-cylinder engine, which whipped up 170 horsepower. A four-speed automatic or five-speed manual were available.

#### What owners like

Handling and driving dynamics, all-season traction, overall performance and flexibility are all highly rated by the Subaru Impreza's owner community. Ride comfort, headroom and overall value complete the list of owner-stated positives.

### What owners dislike

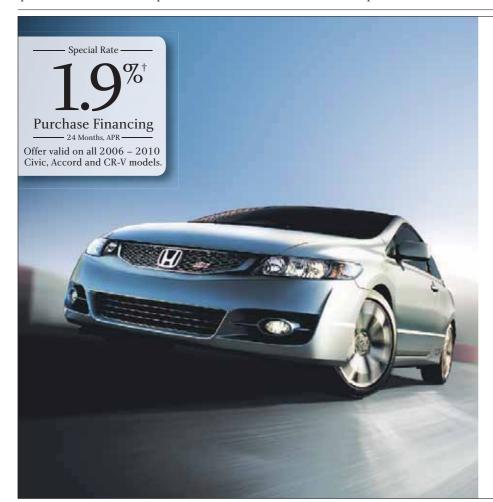
A low-budget and "plasticky" interior feel, road noise and a less-than-adequate factory stereo system are common complaints. Some owners note that fuel consumption can be thirstier than a comparable two-wheel drive car.

#### **Common issues**

Check the windshield for an oily film that may impede vision. This could indicate a problem with a leaky heater core that's allowing coolant to evaporate. Check the front footwells for signs of dampness through the carpet, which could indicate a water leak. Ensure the air conditioner works properly, check the liftgate (if equipped) and look for broken or missing interior trim pieces.

#### Verdict

This generation of Impreza didn't pack any new and radical technology, though it seems to be a solid and reliable performer as a result. With a thumbs-up from a mechanic, owners can expect a reliable and worry-free all-season driving experience for years to come.



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Samula, Your lips colliding against mine make my heart sing at the top of its lungs. You make my hectic life, rational. You make doing nothing, everything. Wuv u bb. ECREAMZ

DEAN DUNCAN

### Today's horoscope

T Aries March 21-April 20 Creatively and romantically this is your time of year, so get out there.

Taurus April 21-May 21 It may annoy you that someone is telling tales about you, but does it really matter? There is precious little they can do to make you look bad. II Gemini May 22-June 21 The

Sun close to your ruler Mercury makes it easy to express yourself. Cancer June 22-July 22 You are overdue for good news. If it does not arrive today, it will certainly arrive tomorrow.

Ω Leo July 23-Aug. 23 What you want more than anything is total confidence, and according to the planets, you might get it today.

W Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 This may not be an easy time for you but at least now you can put a name to your fears.

 ← Libra Sept. 23-0ct. 23 Your outlook on life will change for the better over the next 24 hours. M Scorpio oct. 24-Nov. 22 Keep

telling yourself that you will succeed. Keep telling yourself that you have what it takes.

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#### **₹ Sagittarius** Nov. 23-Dec.

21 You have a duty to tell the truth, so speak up — even if some peole's feelings get hurt.

b Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Be on the lookout for money-making opportunities over the next 24 hours. You'd make a great CEO! Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 A

friend will say something that shocks you. He or she is only human. Don't be too judgmental. H Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. You

should find it easier to organize

your routine. SALLY BROMPTON

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